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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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FROM:

Director, Intelligence Community Staff

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SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Staff Support for the STAP

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1. I had a good meeting with [ ] on Tuesday, 6 October, concerning arrangements for ICS support for STAP. We agreed that the STAP steering group, which is composed of [ ] will be augmented with a representative from the ICS, in order to provide broader Community inputs in guiding the Panel's activities. In this vein, [ ] attended the steering group meeting held on 7 October.

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2. Next, [ ] and I discussed who should be named as the Executive Secretary for the STAP. [ ] preference is for a full-time Executive Secretary. [ ] suggested [ ] might be asked to serve as both STAP and the IR&DC Executive Secretary. [ ] stressed that STAP required someone with a technical background. We agreed to use [ ] on a temporary basis. [ ] was the first STAP Executive Secretary. He is retired but we would ask him to return on a contract basis for three months. After the first of the year, we will have an experience base to work from. We also have included in our proposed FY83 budget [ ] to fund the activities of the STAP.

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3. Finally, [ ] and I agree that the activities of the STAP and the IR&DC should be brought closer together. [ ] has already been a dinner guest of the STAP; he, in turn, has asked [ ] to sit as a member of the IR&DC. I think this synthesis may prove to be productive.

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